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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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For: CONNECTING STRUCTURE FOR ACCESSORY DEVICE AND CABLE,  
WATERPROOFING STRUCTURE FOR ACCESSORY DEVICE, AND MOUNTING  
STRUCTURE FOR ACCESSORY DEVICE.

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98**

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1. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application, First Publication No. H5-34646  
(previously submitted with the Information Disclosure Statement filed  
September 26, 2003)
2. Japanese Unexamined Utility Model Application, First Publication No. S61-59388
3. Japanese Unexamined Utility Model Application, First Publication No. H6-21288
4. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application, First Publication No. 2002-71789

One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed after the later of three months from the application's filing date and the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits, but before a Final Office Action, Notice of Allowance, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application (whichever is earlier), and therefore Applicant is filing concurrently herewith a Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e). No fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is required.

In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicant encloses herewith a copy of a Communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart application citing such documents, together with an English-language version (if not already included) of at least that portion of the Communication indicating the degree of relevance found by the foreign patent office.

Applicant also respectfully submits partial English translations of JP S61-59388 and JP H6-21288, and an English abstract of JP 2002-71789.

The submission of the listed documents is not intended as an admission that any such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicant does not waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

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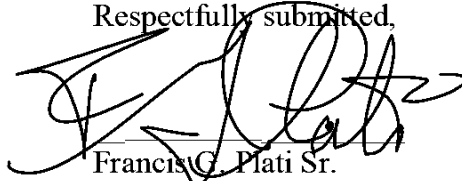
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